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As you know, one of the key components of the CalFed Bay-Delta Program's Record of Decision, which was supported by a broad coalition of interests, was the development and construction of new surface water storage projects, which could increase new water supplies and provide much-needed additional storage for California. Along with others, the City of Stockton is interested in securing water rights for our citizens and businesses now and in the future.

We understand the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) recently released a state feasibility study of the Delta Wetlands Project (aka In-Delta Storage Project). We encourage the CalFed Bay Delta Authority to continue its investigation of the Delta Wetlands Project in developing additional water supplies and storage opportunities in California.

As these various projects are vetted through the CalFed process, we understand the Authority is seeking local public agency partners who could potentially derive benefit from the development of these surface storage projects. Accordingly, the staff at the City of Stockton is interested in exploring the Delta Wetlands Project to further determine what specific benefits or challenges the project could present in satisfying our current and future water supply demands.

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